

City of Sammamish

Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting Summary

April 25, 2005

Commissioners Present: Hank Klein, Steve Wright, Pauline Cantor, Dan Higgins, Richard Johnson, Lynn Rehn, Chris Leyerle, Cornell Amaya

Staff Present: Jeff Watling, Janie Smith

Meeting was called to order at 6:30.

March meeting summary was approved.

Public Comment: None

Ongoing Business:

Beaver Lake Preserve Management Plan –

Rich Johnson attended the steering committee meeting on April 19th. The committee consists of City staff members and adjacent neighbors. Their discussion included shoreline issues, trails, a parking lot and a toilet facility. The Consultant will come up with 2 alternatives. There will be a public meeting in July and council will vote on the alternatives after that.

Sammamish Commons –

Project is out to bid. SEPA was appealed but a settlement was reached. The bid opening will be May 10. If the bid is awarded at that time, the project may be under construction in June.

Community Sports Fields at Eastlake High School –

The design set is available for review. Clearing/grading and building permits almost ready. Bid opening will be May 27th with bid award by June 7th. Construction will begin when school is out for the summer with project completion expected by October. A meeting was held with the user groups with good feedback being obtained.

Ebright Creek Park –

60% design review complete. Project should be out to bid in June with bid award in July. Council directed staff to proceed with septic design and wanted staff to obtain feedback or concerns from park neighbors. A letter was sent out to residents in the Ebright Creek Park service area. Given the increased cost of material, the project is 800K over budget at this time. We are looking at options such as phasing construction to save money.

TBP follow-up – Rich Johnson:

Public works projects listed on the website were viewed and related to specifications called out by the TBP plan. Commissioners discussed trail surfaces. The City Manager supports the formation of a TBP group that would be a compilation of Parks, Public Works and Community Development staff members along with representatives from the Park Commission. This oversight group should meet in mid-May.

New Business:

CAO Committee –

Citizen advisory committee is being formed and one seat is available for a representative from the Park Commission. Kick off is May 4th from 6-8 pm. Goal is to have a document to council by August of this year. John Rossi has volunteered.

Brainstorming - Future Projects –

We need to begin to look at financial realities; framing other revenue sources; strategic planning for a park bond.

Commissioners identified some potential projects if a park bond were approved:

- Money for TBP
- Pine Lake Park – phase II
- Public Pool/Aquatic Center
- Waterfront Property
- Commons – phase II
- Evans Creek Preserve
- Beaver Lake Park fields
- Section 36
- Recreation Center
- Land Acquisition
- Off-leash Dog Parks
- Public Golf Course
- Neighborhood Park in NE section of City

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.